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Applicant:

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For

FREEZING AND THAWING VESSEL WITH THERMAL BRIDGE

FORMED BETWEEN HEAT EXCHANGE MEMBERS

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

This paper is being filed in response to the final Office Action mailed September 6, 2001 in connection with the above— designated application. Since a response to the Final Office Action was initially due on or before December 6, 2001, a Petition requesting a one (1) month extension of time is filed herewith. A Request For Continued Examination is also filed herewith. Reconsideration and allowance of all claims are respectfully requested in view of the amendments and remarks below.

Amendments

Please amend the above-identified application, as follows:

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 36-40, 44-62, 64-66 and 68.